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The Ottawa Letter

The new housing Act proposes to have a smaller down payment and longer buying period for those building under the National Housing System.

In the home ownership plan the loan may be up to 90 per cent of the first \$8,000 and 70 percent of additional value. The amount of the loan may be up to \$2,500 and the amortization period may be up to 25 or even 30 years in most cases.

Arrangements are being made for chartered banks to provide money. The present law prohibits banks lending money on the security of real estate mortgages. It is proposed to permit banks to consider residential mortgages and to have serious loss prevented by an insurance scheme.

To build with only a small down payment means dead weight debt for a long time for any person. If the mortgage is for \$8,000 it means paying \$57.68 a month for 20 years, or \$3.54 a month if it is a 25 year period.

The housing situation has been serious and all are agreed that crowding and uncomfortable homes are very undesirable. There are more family unit residences being constructed each year. In 1946 there were only 20,000 started. In 1945 there were 45,000 and in 1953 there were 104,000 residences started and mostly completed.

Great interest is being taken in the problem and the high costs are making difficulties for many home seekers.

FAMILY ALLOWANCE

Now that Mr. King has passed on, people of all shades of politics are agreed that his aim in life was to advance the social welfare of the people of Canada. To accomplish this he had to have his party in power and to have a measure of control of that party. In private conversation he often stated that his great ambition was to accomplish something worth while in this line. Some think he went too far, but in the Family Allowance in memory in the Family Allowance legislation.

This measure helps mothers and fathers of the nation. By the time a child reaches the age of 16, he or she has received \$1,188 from this source in cheques payable to the mother.

This measure was referred to by no less a person than the president of the United States during the course of the presidential election last year as the most significant piece of social legislation introduced in any country of the western world in the last 50 years.

The amount paid out is over \$50 million a year by the Dominion and the provinces are not asked to contribute at all in this social activity. Australia, Great Britain and New Zealand have family allowances. The percentage of national income spent in Canada is greater than that spent in Australia or Great Britain. It is slightly less than that spent in New Zealand. However, the amount received in Canada by a child will purchase more than that received by a child in New Zealand on the basis of the figures of the last six months.

Although there has recently been an election the Government this session is embarking on a system of disability allowances. This measure is now being discussed with the provinces and will relieve distress more than increasing family allowances would.

The cost of Social Security measures initiated by the present Dominion Government cost the Dominion treasury \$1,200 million dollars per year and the provinces \$350 million. It is, of course, the production and the work of the people of Canada that provide these desirable measures.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

In parliament a motion has been passed to set up a committee to consider the question of abolishing capital punishment in Canada. In the debate on this motion many divergent views were expressed and statistics were quoted which seemed to prove both sides of the question. It is quite clear that the members who spoke, and in fact, all the members who spoke (Continued on last page)

Mrs. H. James

Mrs. Hugh James, a resident of Gleichen for many years died last Thursday morning in the Bassano hospital at the age of 42 years.

Mrs. James was born in Lancashire, England and came to Gleichen in 1928 to reside with her uncle, and aunt Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Haskayne. In 1935 she married Mr. Hugh James.

She took a great interest in the Gleichen Ladies Curling Club and was president of the organization; was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Home and School Association.

Besides her husband she is survived by two young children, Pauline and Garry; four sisters, Mrs. Hayne of Carseland and three sisters living in England; also her mother and one brother in England.

The funeral took place Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Services being held in the United Church by the Anglican clergy, namely, Venerable Archdeacon E. H. Maddocks of Calgary and Rev. Pennant who has charge of this parish. Also assisting was Rev. W. Morrison of the United Church. At the grave side members of the Eastern Star took part in the service.

The funeral was attended by a very large crowd and the many floral offerings showed the high esteem in which the deceased lady was held by the community.

The pall bearers were Messers. E. Bolinger, H. Warner, C. Evans, C. Brown, C. Hoff and A. Gore.

Among the out of town relatives attending the funeral were:

Mr. and Mrs. S. Haskayne, Bassano; Dick Haskayne, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. Bert James and son Black Diamond; Mrs. Beggs, Beyon; Mrs. D. James, Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. W. James, Cluny; Mrs. Holden Bob and Audrey, Manville.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Haskayne, Red Deer; Mr. and Mrs. J. Hayne, Carseland; Mr. and Mrs. J. Hasketh, Crossfield; Mr. and Mrs. E. Richardson, Crossfield; Mr. and Mrs. E. Wylie, Crossfield; H. Hasketh, Three Hills;

are from Gleichen.

The A. Gore rink of Milo won the consolation prize by defeating Tom Brown of Gleichen.

The grand aggregate prize will be played soon and will be between Simpson of Bassano and Larsen of Gleichen.

Farmers are now permitted by the Canadian Wheat Board to purchase from any elevator registered or certified seed—wheat, oats or barley—in exchange for the delivery over the quota of commercial grain not exceeding 200 bushels.

In view of the difficulties farmers have of obtaining cash for their grain, because of low delivery quotas, this new plan will undoubtedly help them to be able to secure and pay for that valuable product registered or certified seed which otherwise they might not be able to find the cash to pay for.

It has been said, and it can never be repeated too often that the maintenance of the quality of our crops is Canada's chief factor in selling our grain abroad, and that furthermore the higher yields and better grades that will be given by a crop produced from registered or certified seed alone are of great value to the farmer. All in all, then, it can be said that it is difficult to imagine any modest expenditure that a farmer can make that will bring him in such good returns, directly or indirectly, for the small sum expended as the purchase and use of a few bushels each year of registered or certified seed. World of Wheat.

There are six canal systems in Canada and the St. Lawrence system is one of the busiest waterways in the world.

Home And School Assoc. Meet Thurs.

The Gleichen Home and School Association will meet in the school auditorium on Thursday evening, February 4th, at eight o'clock.

The travelling art exhibit will be on display. This exhibit is a collection of silk screen paintings, and will be quite different from exhibits shown here before.

Pupils of grades five and six will present Canada's Northland. The program is open to all. Come and bring your children.

EVENTIDE HOME ITEMS

Notes and comments by W. H. S. a guest at Eventide Home.

Now that the Christmas festivities are over here in Eventide Home we are faced with "Old Man Winter" with a vengeance. Apart from that, however, our home is very comfortable and warm. Major Broom is responsible and through his kind attention and foresight, all are comfortable in the Home. We too, are not forgetting the many attentions by him to one and all daily.

It is nice to see Mrs. Savels around, who is a conscientious worker. "Work is the father of time", eh?

Mrs. Sharp should also be commended for helping and giving a friendly hand and administering to the sick and less fortunate in this life of ours.

In conclusion our further good wishes go to Major and Mrs. Broom, now in command, for 1954. May they be as successful as ever, is the sincere wish of all of us at Eventide Home.

Notice of The Annual Town And School Meetings

Public notice is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of the Town of Gleichen will be held in the Gleichen Public School on Monday the 8th day of February, 1954, at eight o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Mayor, Secretary-treasurer, Auditor and Chairman of the various committees of Council for the year ending thirty-first of December, 1953.

A meeting of the School Board will take place immediately following the town meeting.

Dated at Gleichen this 1st day of February 1954.

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But Bill is a farmer first and now. It's only half a mile and our land runs right to the edge of Virden."

The farmhouse suits him fine too, although royalties from the three wells are expected to give him an income in the neighborhood of \$35 a day, as a start.

"There's no need to move," he says. "We're almost living in town."

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Home Workshop



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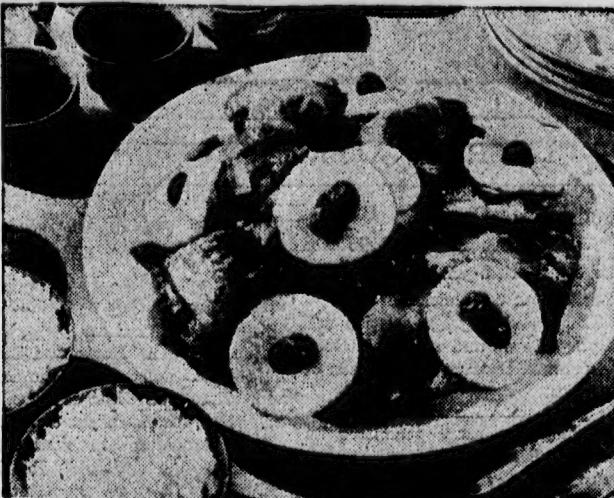
PATTERN 401

Included with this beautifully designed alphabet are directions for making a magazine rack, a waste basket, bookends and a holder for letters or napkins. Wood of thickness of one-quarter to three-quarters of an inch may be used for these smoothly rounded letters. Also initials cut from lucite, sheet copper, brass or aluminum will add distinction and personalize various objects made of wood or art metal. These letters may be cut from wood with an ordinary hand fret saw, but a table model jig saw using a jewelers' blade would be far the most satisfactory for plastic and metals. The alphabet and four designs on which to apply initials on pattern 401. Copy will be mailed for 35c.

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APPETIZING RECIPES



Sweet and Sour Spareribs makes a delicious main course for family and guests. Roasted in a slow oven and served with a flavorful, colorful sauce, they'll be a popular Saturday night supper dish.

Sweet and Sour Spareribs—Two well-fleshed spareribs, 1 tablespoon fat, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 small garlic clove, 1 can sliced pineapple, 2 medium green peppers, maraschino cherries, 2 tbsps. cornstarch, 1 tsp. soy sauce, 1 tsp. pure monosodium glutamate, 1/2 cup white vinegar, 1/4 cup sugar, 1 cup water. Have spareribs cut in serving size pieces. Place on rack in open roaster. Roast in slow-moderate oven (325 degrees F.) 1 1/2 hours. Meanwhile heat fat

or salad oil; add salt and garlic; cook over low heat 10 minutes; remove garlic. Add syrup from pineapple. Cut green peppers in 1-inch pieces; add; cook over low heat 10 minutes. Blend remaining ingredients, except cherries; add. Cook, stirring constantly until thickened and clear. Add pineapple slices and cherries, heat. Pour sauce over spareribs. Makes 6 servings. Here's a hint for cooking flank steak—cut into individual servings and prepare like this.

Five Pedigree Ayrshires For Alberta

Five pedigree Ayrshire cattle left Glasgow recently bound for Alberta. The bull and four heifers, all from the herd of Mr. Dudley Beck, Darland Hall, Denbigshire, president of the breed society, are going to Chestermere Farms, Forest Lawn, Alberta. The bull is by Lessnessock Certified, which also sired two of the heifers. The two remaining heifers are by Lessnessock Leo. In 1951 Mr. Beck shipped the bull, Darling-Highland Challenge to the same herd in Alberta. This animal has won many honors including the grand championship at the 1953 Calgary and Edmonton exhibition.

All the wells are free-flowing, something new for Manitoba. Most of the province's oil wells are in the Daly field, nine miles southwest of Virden. They must be pumped.

Oh yes, has Mrs. Skinner any ideas on spending the oil money? "She likely has," grinned her husband. "That's why I haven't asked her."

Large Canadian Contract For Metropolitan Vickers

A contract worth more than \$1,500,000 has been received by a U.K. firm from the Calgary Power Company. This order, obtained in the face of stiff competition, covers the supply of a 66,000 kw., 3,600 r.p.m. steam turbo-generating set, said to be the largest ever ordered by Canada. The new set, which will be manufactured in Manchester, will consist of a two-cylinder turbine, operating with inlet steam conditions of 1,250 p.s.i.g., 950 degrees Fahrenheit and driving 13,800 volt A.C. generator of the hydrogen-cooled type. It will form the initial generating unit in a new power station to be built by the Calgary Power Company at Wabamun near Edmonton.

Glass employed in stained glass windows is colored in the making by tinting the glass in the melting pot with various metallic oxides.

More Than 4,000 Drivers Suspended In Manitoba During 1953

During December, 382 drivers of motor vehicles were suspended from Manitoba roads, bringing the total number of drivers under suspension at the end of 1953 to 4,162, it is reported by R. B. Ballie, Registrar of M. V. Suspensions at the end of 1952 totalled 2,708.

Of the 1953 year-end total, 2,167 drivers were under suspension because of serious convictions under the Highway Traffic Act and Criminal Code.

Of the balance, 1,384 were without insurance at the time of accident. Another 215 were considered accident-prone and conviction repeaters. Sixty-five had failed to pay judgments made against them in court. Three hundred and twenty-four drivers were under

suspension due to their failure to pass the driving test.

A break-down of the 2,167 drivers convicted on serious charges reveals that 729 were suspended for driving while impaired and 462 for driving while intoxicated. Four hundred and ninety-seven were driving to the common danger combined with an accident; 289 were hit-and-run drivers; and 10 were driving while still under suspension.

Majority of suspended drivers, 2,165 in number, live in the Great-Winnipeg area. Of the total number of reports, 1,565 originated with the R.C.M.P., 1,390 with the Winnipeg police force, 148 in St. Boniface, 106 in Brandon, and the balance in Winnipeg suburbs.

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Farmer Giles had an ambitious son who came up to London to make his fortune. He had no luck, however, and ended up as a bootblack. The farmer continued to work on his farm. Now the father makes hay while the son shines.

"Dad, I've got my first part in a play," said the young would-be actor. "I play the part of a man who has been married for 20 years."

"That's a good start," encouraged his father. "Maybe one of these days you'll get a speaking part."

A famous ballet dancer constantly confounded his colleagues and his public with his amazing leaps, which were marvels of beauty.

"How do you do them?" asked a friend one night, after watching from the wings.

"Oh, it's quite simple," replied the dancer, "All you have to do is jump into the air—and pause a little."

A man entered a florist's shop and said he wanted some flowers to take home. He had been looking on the wine when it was red and the flowers were intended as a domestic peace offering.

The florist picked out a dozen chrysanthemums and the customer started to leave. At the door he hesitated. "I say," he said, thickly, "what's these flowers called?"

"Chrysanthemums."

The customer shook his head.

"Got to have something easier than that," he said. "Give

dozen pinks."

Two members of a club met in the smoking-room. The first looked grave as he shook hands with his friend, who was very deaf. "I'm sorry," he said, "to hear of the death of your uncle."

"Eh? What's that?" asked the deaf one.

"I'm sorry to hear your uncle is dead."

"Speak up, man; I can't hear you."

"I'm sorry to hear you've buried your uncle."

"But I had to," came the unexpected reply. "He died."

A man visiting St. Andrews for the first time determined to try a round of golf. Furnishing himself with the usual implements and a caddie, he went out before breakfast.

It seemed quite easy, and his first drive was a terrific swipe. When the turf had ceased to descend he turned, somewhat dazed, to the caddie and asked: "What did I hit just now, my lad?"

"Scotland, sir."

"Look here," stormed Brown to the estate agent. "About that riverside bungalow you sold me."

"Anything wrong, sir?" "Wrong!" exclaimed Brown. "The other morning we woke up and found the thing had floated two miles down the river."

"H'm," said the agent. "That's a stroke of luck. The rates are much lower down there."

The list of prizewinners at a social gathering included the following: "Mrs. Smith won the ladies' rolling-pin throwing contest by hurling a pin 75 feet. Mr. Smith won the 100 yards dash."

"Certainly, my dear, certainly," he said as he hurried to the train. "You are right and I am wrong, as you usually are."

"How nice of you," she said—and then thought it over.

A distinct Korean civilization flourished at least 3,000 years ago.

—By Chuck Thurston

Veteran Printer Of Alta. Passes On

Many interesting reminiscences are recalled in the death of Fort Macleod's veteran printer, Tom Clarke, who died on Sunday in a rest home in Camrose, following several months there after leaving here during 1953, in February last.

He was one of the old printers who set type by hand, in the days before Linotype machines were used on daily and weekly newspapers, and he would proudly show copies of the weekly newspapers he helped to produce here many years ago, when he was editor and printer of The Macleod Advance, assisted by a brother, since deceased.

Even when he was past his 80th year he continued to turn out printing orders, and was quite energetic in making his regular rounds calling on local firms. Though his equipment was limited to a small platen press and several cases of type, he maintained his skill as a craftsman which was indeed creditable for one of such an advanced age. We occasionally would drop around to have a chat with him, and he would display old photos of historic interest, of his five years service in the North-West Mounted Police; and of his early connection with the Calgary Herald when its first issues were set up and printed in a tent.

For many years up till about 1945 he played in the local band, and would march with the boys playing a hefty brass instrument.

He never lost his love of newspaper writing, and contributed many stories to the Lethbridge Herald dealing with life over 60 years ago in what is now Alberta.

He came from Ipswich, Suffolk County, England, with his parents to Meaford, Ont., where he was apprenticed to the printing trade, and later, after coming west as a constable in the police he was loaned to the Calgary Herald to help turn out their first few editions.

Always cheerful even though he lived alone for many years in rooms adjoining his printing shop, he would prove himself a keen conversationalist and he would keep one interested as long as one would care to listen. His memory was remarkable and he enjoyed life by keeping well occupied with his work.—H.T.H., The Macleod Gazette.

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Midale Oil Area Now Regarded As One Of Sask. Promising Fields For Production

Regarded as one of Saskatchewan's most promising areas for oil production, the Midale field is one of four areas in the province which have been officially designated as "fields." This announcement was made at the end of the year by Hon. J. H. Brockelbank, minister of mineral resources.

The number of official oil fields in Saskatchewan now is 14, besides three areas defined as pools.

The legal description of the Midale field includes land immediately surrounding the area in which Shell Oil Company has completed seven producing wells without a failure and is drilling at another site as well as having indicated location for other development wells.

The discovery well was the A-7-18, also known as the Shell Peterson well. It was drilled in May, 1953. Oil from this field so far has been of a high medium gravity grade, 27 to 30 degrees, according to American Petroleum Institute standards.

The three other newly-designated fields are at Dillard, Rapdan and Java. The Dillard field is located in the Eastend area of southwestern Saskatchewan, and is a heavy gravity (18 API) oil field discovered in September.

The Rapdan field also is in the southwestern part of the province, 80 miles south of Swift Current. Discovered in February, the field produces oil rated at 23 degrees API.

The Java medium gravity field (20-21) is about five miles west of Swift Current and the discovery well was drilled in February.

—Estevan Mercury



PRINCESS MARGARET (left), and MME. HENRI BONNET, wife of the French Ambassador to the U.S., are on the 1953 list of the world's best-dressed women compiled by the New York Dress Institute on basis of an international poll.

Hundreds Of Wild Ducks Perish On River Near Camrose

A serious situation involving the wild duck population on the Battle River near Camrose was uncovered by the Camrose Fish and Game Association. Thousands of ducks have been marooned on the lake and are dying off rapidly from starvation and cold weather. Local sportsmen made a survey of the situation and found the ducks so weak and thin from lack of food that they were unable to fly and were freezing to death slowly in the ice of the river. One flock of ducks found a farmer's greenfeed stack and succeeded in demolishing a good part of the stack, to the consternation of the farmer.

One day when I got in I could tell by the way Mrs. O'Reilly was acting that she was very upset about something. I went in the living room and sat down. While I was glancing over the evening paper she walked in, handed me a letter, and walked out without saying a word. The letter read: "I don't know exactly how to tell you folks what happened. I never had to write a letter like this before and it's pretty hard. He made me a promise that if anything happened I would write and tell you. One day while working under the river—" My eyes skimmed the rest of the letter and I stopped reading. Harry had been buried alive. For a minute it felt like all the blood in my body had rushed to my face.

For long time I just sat there and ran over the things Harry and I had told ourselves we were going to do—the things we had done—the good times—the bad times—our jokes—our fights. Maybe I was wrong, but some of the things made me grin, some made me laugh—none of them made me cry. Eating supper that night was something that I just couldn't do.

Poor Mrs. O'Reilly was so broken up over it that I was afraid that she might have a stroke. I called up the store and told the manager what had happened. I told him that I was afraid that Mrs. O'Reilly was taking it too hard and that I was going to stay with her. Around eleven o'clock I got Mrs. O'Reilly to smile for me and then I thought that she would be all right.

About two the bell rang. It was the girl that Harry had fallen for. She told me that the grocery man had told her that Mrs. O'Reilly wanted to see her. Before I could figure it out Mrs. O'Reilly was ushering the girl into the living room.

She told the girl the whole story, including Harry's dream about a girl who lived in a big house.

"Why didn't he tell me? I'm only the maid," cried the girl, tears streaming down her face. (Copyright Wheeler Newspaper Syndicate)

Game members were out at the river gathering up as many of the dead birds as they could find to keep the predators from moving in on the helpless birds that were still living. Officers of the Fish and Game Branch in Edmonton in an effort to get permission to feed the helpless ducks, but were unable to make any headway with officials there, and were referred to Ottawa for official permission. Ducks Unlimited officials were contacted immediately and help to relieve the situation was soon forthcoming. Bill Webster of the D.U. branch in Edmonton was expected to arrive in Camrose to survey the situation.

In the meantime the Fish and Game Association were able to obtain the use of a two-storey abandoned chicken house, and went out to trap as many ducks as possible so that they could feed them. It was estimated that well over two thousand ducks were stranded on the river five miles south of Camrose.—Camrose Canadian.

29 Alberta Farmers Awarded Save-The-Soil Certificates

Annual presentation of Save-the-Soil certificates has been made by the Department of Agriculture to 29 farmers who scored 80 per cent or more in the 1953 campaign.

Winners include: Olds area—I. Anderson, Olds; and Bruce Grant, Westward Ho, Berwyn area—T. W. Allen, James Meyers and Herman Rohde, all of Berwyn, Eckville area—William Phelps, McDonald Brothers, Dick Lawton, Albert Hansen, Roy Andrew and William Smith, all of Eckville, and Henry Benecke of Evergreen. Ponoka area—Jim Ross, George

Rees, Albert Kramer, Jerome Kerr, W. O. Jones, all of Ponoka. Edmonton area—R. Harrington, Henry Seutter and R. A. W. Briggs, all of South Edmonton; H. L. Montpetit, J. L. Clement and Louis Cauvet, all of Legal; Lloyd McMillan of Picardville; R. W. Arson of Stony Plain; James Crawford of Tomahawk; Arthur Jesperson of Spruce Grove; J. H. McLaughlin of Stony Plain; and E. Charlier of Vimy.

Awards are made for efforts in eliminating soil erosion, weeds, and crop disease, and for farm shelterbelts, suitable cultural practices, condition of uncropped land, yield of crops and general neatness of fields and fence lines.

Fish are able to hear.

BUILDING AT GRANDE PRAIRIE HITS HALF MILLION DURING 1953

GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta.—Thirty new homes were built in Grande Prairie last year, a year which saw the value of new construction in town reach an unofficial mark of \$525,000.

A review of 1953 town hall building returns indicated more emphasis was placed on new housing than for a number of years. Not counting a new addition to the high school and a new Separate Board high school, which together were valued at more than \$150,000, building total for the year was \$376,012.

Town officials pointed out that this year's general building was not much behind last year when

it was remembered that a permit for the \$250,000 Federal Building was included in last year's total.

In the general building category, July was the biggest single month in 1953. Permits for a total of \$101,427, including a \$50,000 permit to Amerada Petroleum Corporation for construction of five houses, were issued.

Favorite month for new home builders was July. Permits for 11 new houses were issued in that month. In May, second biggest month for new home construction, eight permits were issued.

Smallest monthly total for the year was chalked up in January when permits for only \$1,750 worth of construction were issued.

PREDICTS CANADA WILL CONTINUE TO LEAD WORLD WHEAT PRODUCERS

W. C. McNamara, of Winnipeg, assistant chief commissioner of the Canadian Wheat Board thinks Canadian wheat exports will be down for this crop year but that Canada will continue to be the largest wheat exporting nation in the world.

Mr. McNamara said that if Canada is successful in selling to the United Kingdom around 122 million bushels of wheat for each of the next three years it will mean that this country will have a total export market of around 280 million bushels annually.

He said that a grain commission will leave Canada for the Far East early in 1954 with the

purpose of expanding wheat sales in that region.

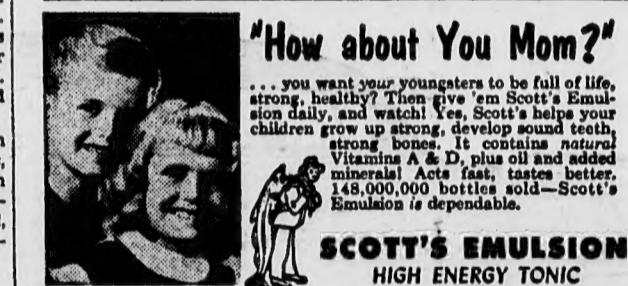
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By Robert L. Skelly

THE other day I happened to pass through the old neighborhood and I noticed that Mrs. O'Reilly's rooming house was all boarded up. From the looks of things the kids around the street had quite a time during the snow falls last winter—there's not a whole pane of glass in the place. Well, I guess the kids have a right to bust a window now and then—keeps them out of more serious trouble.

For a moment I just stood there and looked over the place. I seemed to see it the way it used to look when Harry and I used to board with Ma O'Reilly. Those were the days when the sledding was pretty rough on most of us young fellows.

Our fortunes couldn't be blamed on us either—Harry and myself had both stood pretty high in our classes at Columbia that year. We thought that we were going to re-make the whole darn world. We wound up working in a couple of grocery stores for fourteen bucks a week. I make no excuses—it was the best you could get with a sheepskin and we grabbed it.

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Farm Electrification

Farm electrification had a record breaking year in Alberta in 1953 when a total of 6,120 farms

were connected to rural lines, according to Hon. N. A. Willmore, Minister of Industries and Labor.

Approximately 27,700 customers in Alberta now are being served by farm electrification. Of

this total, 24,101 are farmers, while the remainder are non-farm customers who are obtaining service from the farm electrification lines.

Mr. Willmore stated that plans

have been made to serve an additional 5,000 farmers during 1954 and each year thereafter until approximately 67,000 farms are receiving farm electrification. This total is approximately 80 percent

of all farms in the province. The rural Electrification Revolving Act, approved at the last session of the legislature, has been a major factor in assisting the expansion of farm electrification. During 1953 the Alberta Power Commission issued approvals under this act covering 5,157 farms and for the construction of lines costing an estimated \$5,800,000.

"The Power Commission is directing its energies towards pushing farm electrification back into the more remote areas of the province", stated Mr. Willmore. "Good progress was made along these lines in 1953 and we hope much more will be done during the coming year."

punishment. New Zealand abolished it in 1941 and have recently re-introduced it. The United States suspended the death sentence for a time, but when the trial period had expired, the death sentence was mandatory following a verdict of "guilty of murder". Forty-two of the forty-eight States of the Union retain the death penalty.

In the 10-year period from 1940 to 1949, in the United Kingdom there were 1066 murders known to the police. These resulted in 815 arrests for murder. Of the 815 arrested, 680 were committed for trial. In the 680 trials, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty in 262 cases and, out of the 262 cases there were 127 executions.

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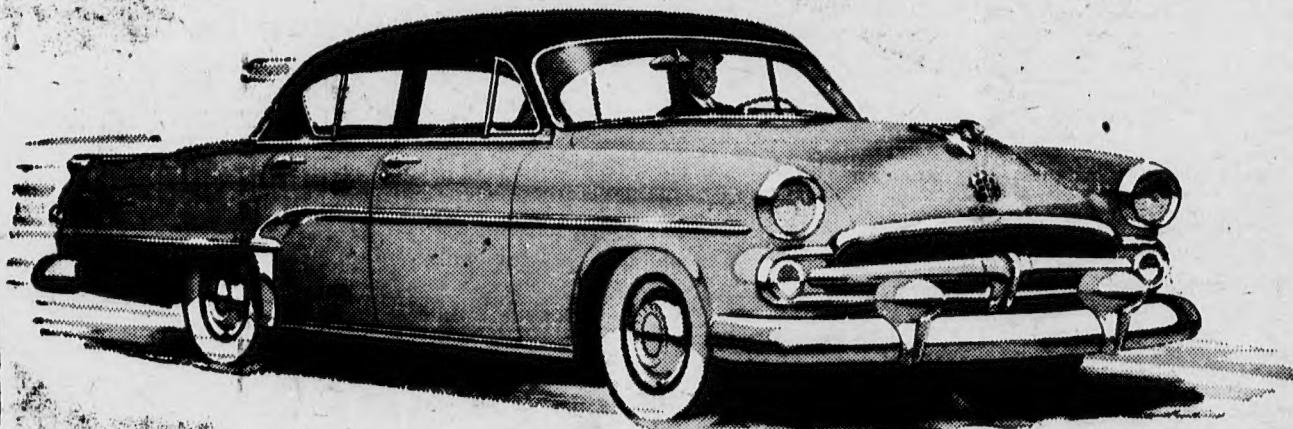
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These students from White River, Ont., made a round trip of more than 1,100 miles to visit the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto to see how oil is found and produced in Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The students and their teacher, Miss Agnes Farries (centre, back row) set a new distance record for organized school groups visiting the museum. They saw an exhibition on the Canadian oil industry, produced jointly by Imperial Oil Ltd. and the museum. The first exhibition of its kind in Canada, it uses modern display techniques to explain the intricacies of oil exploration and discovery in western Canada. Miss Margaret Cumming, science lecturer of the museum staff, is discussing the operation of an oilman's Christmas tree, the collection of valves and pipes which controls the flow of oil from a well.